WOMEN'S SOFTBALL

1985

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PROSPECTUS

If the 1985 Salisbury State softball team wants to go as far as the Sea Gulls' did last year, then it will have to do it minus a bulk of the talent which made up the 1984 squad.

The 1984 Sea Gulls went to the first round of the NCAA Division III tournament and ended the season with a 16-4-1 record. The 1985 team returns minus one All-American, several All-Region players and the team's most valuable player of 1984. They also return to action with a new head coach, Salisbury State graduate **Dawn McCrumb**.

McCrumb will rely on the talents of the players returning from last year's team as well as that of the many newcomers who make up the 1985 team, all of whom face a tough 22-game schedule featuring at least five Division I opponents and only three home dates.

One problem that many young teams face in a rebuilding year is lack of pitching. The Sea Gulls will not have that problem, returning two outstanding pitchers from last year with other promising pitchers in the wings. Junior **Dawn Campbell Taylor** (Parkside HS, Salisbury) leads the way after a fine sophomore season that saw her accumulate a 16-3 overall record, pitching in 16 games during the regular season and both playoff games. Taylor recorded 107 strikeouts in 103 innings pitched along with a 0.95 earned run average, allowing only 14 earned runs all season.

The only other pitcher with a decision in 1984 was **Tammy McCabe** (Seaford HS, Seaford, DE). The junior hurler appeared in five games last season, coming away with a 2–1 record. She will see time in a relief role this year as well as at second base. Freshman **Julee Taylor** (Seaford HS, Seaford, DE and no relation to Dawn) was the Gulls' top freshman recruit, an All–State and All–Conference pitcher at Seaford. Having good control and speed on the ball, she could be the pitcher the Gulls need to give Dawn Taylor rest.

Sophomore **Teri Pike** (LaReine HS, Camp Springs) will anchor the Sea Gull outfield in only her second year. The two-year captain of her high school team, Pike needs improvement at the plate to match her abilities in the outfield. Another sophomore, **Elaine Allnutt** (Richard Montgomery, Germantown), will return for her second year in the outfield after playing in 10 games last year while **Teena Smith** (Wicomico HS, Salisbury) returns after playing in 11 games. Junior **Robin Shilkret** (Severna Park HS, Arnold) will push last year's reserves for an outfield spot.

The infield has several key players returning as well as some reserve players from last year moving into starting positions in 1985. Shortstop **Paige Wallace** (Kent County HS, Worton) is a three-year starter with a strong arm and excellent range. Last year's third-leading hitter, Wallace batted .306 with 15 hits and 17 runs scored. Third base will see sophomore **Terri Timmons** (Parkside HS, Delmar) returning for a second season. One of the team's most versatile performers, Timmons hit .293 last year with 17 hits and 26 runs scored.

Denise Berto (LaPlata HS, LaPlata) started two years ago for the Gulls then took a year off. She will return with her fine batting form and aggressive speed on the base paths while playing in the infield. **Marybeth Wulff** (JM Bennett HS, Salisbury) returns to her hometown after a year at Frostburg State. A natural at second base, Wulff should see time in her first year back.

The starting catcher spot appears to be up in the air before the season starts, with sophomore **Jodi Yingling** (Cape Henlopen HS, Rehoboth, DE) battling freshman **Cathy Weaver** (Hammond HS, Laurel) for the starting slot. Neither player saw action last year, making the task of choosing a starter ever more difficult on McCrumb.

The Sea Gulls get underway with a scrimmage on Thursday, March 7, at Washington College. The regular season starts Tuesday, March 12, with a home game against Gallaudet. The combination of youth and a demanding schedule should make McCrumb's homecoming a touch one; one she won't be forgetting for some time to come.

MVP

'74	Cathy Noono
'75	Alice Smith
'76	Gail Bonhoff
'77	Teresa Landon
'78	Teresa Landon/Carol Summers/Sue Phippin
'79	Margie Knight
'80	Robin Tyler
'81	Sissy Natoli
'82	Carolyn Huston/Pam Gonce
'83	Cindy Zile
'84	Donna Headlee

1985 ROSTER

No	Name	Pos	Cl	Ht	High School	Hometown
23	Elaine Allnutt	OF	So	5'6	Richard Montgomery	Germantown
13	Denise Berto	IF	Sr	5'2	LaPlata	LaPlata
14	Tammy McCabe	P	Jr	5'4	Seaford	Seaford, DE
22	Teri Pike	OF	So	5'3	LaReine	Camp Springs
19	Robin Shilkret	OF	Jr	5'5	Severna Park	Arnold
10	Teena Smith	OF	Jr	5'1	Wicomico	Salisbury
12	Dawn C. Taylor	P	Jr	5'4	Parkside	Salisbury
21	Julee Taylor	P	Fr	5'10	Seaford	Seaford, DE
18	Terri Timmons	3B	So	5'6	Parkside	Delmar
11	Paige Wallace	SS	Sr	5'8	Kent County	Worton
26	Cathy Weaver	C	Fr	5'7	Hammond	Laurel
15	Marybeth Wulff	2B	Jr	5'3	James M. Bennett	Salisbury
25	Jodi Yingling	C	So	5'6	Cape Henlopen	Rehoboth Beach, DE

COACH

DAWN MCCRUMB (Salisbury State '78) returns to her alma mater to take over the head softball coaching job this year. A two-year letterwinner in both softball and lacrosse at Salisbury State, she has excelled as both a player and coach since her graduation from Salisbury.

Following her career at Salisbury State where she played both third base and pitcher, McCrumb took over the coaching duties at Mardela Senior High School. While there, her teams won the state Class C championship in her rookie season, followed by a second place finish in 1981 and a quarterfinal berth in 1982.

An active summer athlete, McCrumb has either coached or played on several rec teams over the years. For the past four years, she has been a pitcher with the H.A. Hastings slo-pitch team. With a personal record of 85-1 during the past four years, McCrumb has led Hastings to two perfect seasons, the county championship every year and a record of 101-3. Her team finished second in the state, with McCrumb pitching a near-perfect game in the quarterfinals. Voted the best pitcher in the Wicomico County tournament, McCrumb has also been on the league All-Star team all four years.

A graduate of Arundel High School, McCrumb lettered at third base and as a relief pitcher. She has been playing softball since the age of six when she got involved in summer rec ball in Anne Arundel County.

Assisting McCrumb is former Sea Gull standout Carolyn Huston. The Sea Gulls' assistant coach for the past three years, Huston has been the constant in the program during that time. A graduate of Salisbury State, Huston lettered as catcher for four years with the Gulls.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location	Salisbury, MD 21801
Switchboard	(301) 543-6000
Athletic Department	(301) 543-6340
President	Dr. Thomas E. Bellavance
Enrollment	4,500
Nickname	Sea Gulls
Colors	Maroon, Gold
Affiliation	NCAA Division III (ECAC)
Ath.Director	Dr. Louis Marciani
Associate	Deane Deshon
Associate	Dean Burroughs
Equipment Manager	Vic Keen
Facilities Coordinator	Tom Stitcher
Head Trainer	Pat Lamboni
Sports Info. Director	Steve Blake
Softball Coach	Dawn McCrumb

SSC TODAY

Nestled in one of the nations's most magical and historical areas, the Eastern Shore of Maryland, Salisbury State College effectively combines the relaxed yet personable nature of a small college education with the rigorous academic demands of a major university.

The recreational pursuits of the Eastern Shore are legendary, from the boardwalk of Ocean City to the wilderness of Chincoteague Island to the tranquility of Blackwater Refuge near Cambridge, Md. Only 30 miles to the east is Ocean City's famous white beach and the 30 miles of Assateague Island's National and State Park.

Salisbury, Wicomico's county seat and the Shore's major city today, was laid out by a charter granted in 1732, the year George Washington was born. Progressive growth has been characteristic of Salisbury. It has grown over the years from a little crossroads town with a small lumbermill and a few stores into a flourishing business center and a chief distributing point.

The College offers undergraduate programs leading to the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees, and graduate programs leading to the Master of Arts in English, History and Psychology, the Master of Education, the Master of Business Administration, and the Master of Science in Nursing.

Salisbury State's undergraduate program became more defined in 1984 with the alignment of the College's major programs into five distinct schools of learning: the School of Nursing and Health Sciences; the School of Business; the School of Liberal Arts; the School of Professional Studies; and the School of Science.

1985 SCHEDULE

March			
	12	GALLAUDET	4:00 pm
	21	at Goucher	3:00 pm
	22	at Eastern Mennonite Tourney	TBA
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	24	at University of Virginia (DH)	1:00 pm
	25	at Lynchburg (DH)	2:00 pm
	30	KINGS COLLEGE (DH)	2:00 pm
April			
	13	at Franklin & Marshall (DH)	1:00 pm
	14	at Bucknell (DH)	1:00 pm
	18	GLASSBORO STATE (DH)	2:00 pm
	20	at Stockton State (DH)	2:00 pm
	23	at Bloomsburg State (DH)	2:30 pm
	26	University of Virginia Tourney	TBA
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	30	NOTRE DAME	4:00 pm
May			
	1	at Lehigh	3:30 pm

Head Coach: Dawn McCrumb (Salisbury State '78), first year
Assistant: Carolyn Huston, third year
1984 record: 16-2-1 regular season, 0-2 postseason